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Fire Officer II

Sample Test



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1. What is it called when local services respond to a toxic spill, turn over jurisdiction to the water resource board, who then turns it over to the Environmental Protection Agency?
 - A. Outside aid
 - B. Automatic aid
 - C. Horizontal jurisdiction
 - D. Vertical jurisdiction
2. What are the two main functions of local government affecting the fire service?
 - A. Funding and providing the external customers for fire service
 - B. Funding decisions and overseeing other cooperating agencies
 - C. Writing local ordinances and overseeing all of the fire services policies
 - D. Providing staff for fire services and external customers to serve
3. What data are fire and emergency services required to collect?
 - A. Response time
 - B. Complaint frequency
 - C. Trends in back injuries
 - D. Visitors per month
4. What portions of the post-incident analysis (PIA) deals with the basic building construction of property involved in the incident?
 - A. Preincident survey and size-up
 - B. Incident action plan
 - C. General staff records
 - D. Miscellaneous reports
5. When a problem arises among crew members the company officer should:
 - A. stand by and let them settle it themselves.
 - B. take note of it and consider intervening later.
 - C. stop all conversation and order crew to remain quiet.
 - D. react to the situation and promptly attempt to resolve it.
6. What procedure should be used to determine which chart is the best way to convey data in a report?
 - A. Always stick to the simplest way
 - B. Always use the same chart
 - C. Survey the audience and ask for their preference
 - D. Try different charts and select the best one for the audience
7. When developing a plan for procedure change, the company officer must consider:
 - A. that multiple solutions may be necessary.
 - B. all problems can be fixed with proper training.
 - C. new equipment fixes most problems right away.
 - D. the procedure probably already exists somewhere.

8. What is the term for a person who leads a change project or initiative by defining, researching, planning, building support, and carefully selecting members of a change team?
- A. Change agent
 - B. Change leader
 - C. Process agent
 - D. Organizational leader
9. Which statement is MOST accurate concerning group dynamics?
- A. A group does not require interactions between members of group
 - B. Informal subgroups may have great influence on the larger group
 - C. Some sort of common identity is not necessary for group
 - D. It is not known what makes some groups formal and some not
10. Which statement is the MOST accurate description of the budget process for the purchase of fire apparatus and vehicles?
- A. It may be part of a multiyear capital improvement plan
 - B. Usually the funding comes from the typical operating budget
 - C. Usually the funding of these items come from a single source
 - D. Payments on such large items are spread out over 50 years
11. Repairs to existing facilities or building a new training center could be part of:
- A. a Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).
 - B. a normal operating budget expenses.
 - C. a budget cycle.
 - D. a budget program.
12. Which of the following is the most common cause of natural fires?
- A. Lightning
 - B. Earthquakes
 - C. Tornadoes
 - D. Gas leaks
13. What is the BEST statement about the proper way for a company officer to use peer pressure?
- A. Encourage it to handle all situations
 - B. Allow it to run its course before intervening
 - C. Not allow it to exist in any form in the unit or group
 - D. Not to depend on it to always take care of disruptive behavior
14. When handling a new shy unit member a company officer probably should:
- A. make them perform duties in front of everyone.
 - B. have them practice new duties with a peer.
 - C. use peer pressure to intimidate the new member.
 - D. tell them to adjust to the pressures of the job.

15. Which type of county/parish government is motivated by the perceived need to provide separation between county politics and administration of county business?
- A. County commission
 - B. County commission-mayor
 - C. County commission-manager
 - D. County commission-executive
16. Which statement is MOST accurate concerning the company officer's role in building a leadership role in a formal and informal group? The company officer should try to:
- A. promote independence and individuality in the unit.
 - B. not remind employees of their larger group membership.
 - C. remain at a distance from the informal groups.
 - D. fit into informal groups that form in the organization.
17. In data processing and statistics, the term validity means:
- A. that you can expect it to have repeatability.
 - B. that you are measuring what you intended to measure.
 - C. that half of the numbers are above it and half are below it.
 - D. that the number is the most frequently occurring value.
18. What does the term boilerplate mean in the context of bid specifications?
- A. The basic hardware descriptions of the bid specifications
 - B. The basic legal requirements required in all bid specifications
 - C. The name and serial numbers of items to be purchased
 - D. The basic details of the product to be purchased
19. During a post-incident analysis what two standpoints can risks to personnel be evaluated from?
- A. Number and importance
 - B. Major and minor
 - C. Incidence rate and type
 - D. Frequency and severity
20. Which is the BEST statement about trying to eliminate all unsafe conditions from the workplace?
- A. To do so SOPs have to be followed by the letter
 - B. To do so training has to be completed in all areas
 - C. This may require some of the SOPs to be updated if found inadequate
 - D. This may be impossible since they exist in daily non-emergency activities
21. What actions were developed in response to the many firefighters who have died because they were not discovered missing in time?
- A. Count firefighters leaving the station going to incident.
 - B. Have all members report back to the station at an appointed time.
 - C. Allow firefighters to assign themselves to tasks after signing in.
 - D. Use a personnel accountability system at the incident.

22. Which budget system is most common in North America?
- A. Zero-based budgeting
 - B. Line-item budgeting
 - C. Program budgeting
 - D. Matrix budgeting
23. A risk analysis model should include:
- A. cost of prevention.
 - B. degree of likelihood.
 - C. probable time of occurrence.
 - D. number of resources available.
24. Which of the following sources of information for a postincident analysis would most likely include information on the building's water supply and fuel load?
- A. Interviews
 - B. Preincident survey
 - C. Communications records
 - D. Outside agency reports
25. Which type of power is derived because of the organizational structure of the department/organization?
- A. Expert
 - B. Coercive
 - C. Legitimate
 - D. Identification